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General Smith has asked me to acknowledge your letter of 21 October 1951, with which you enclosed a copy of your study "Stalin and the Marxian Fallacy", and also request permission to make certain quotations from the General's book "My Three Years in Moscow".

I appreciate your courtesy in forwarding a copy of your study to this Agency. However, it will not be possible for us to make comments since we are prohibited from expressing opinions on papers prepared by private individuals. With regard to making quotations from the General's book, I suggest you clear this matter with his British Empire Publishers - Messrs. William Heinemann Limited, 99 Great Russell Street, London, W.C.1.

I regret that a more favorable reply cannot be made to your request, and am returning herewith your study in accordance with your request.

Sincerely,

signed

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Assistant to the Director

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21st October, 1951

Lieutenant-General W. Bedell Smith,
Central Intelligence Agency,
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Sir,

I am submitting a MS. for your inspection as I should appreciate it very much if I could obtain your permission to make certain quotations from your book MOSCOW MISSION (see, for example, pp. 184, 186, 198).

Unfortunately, I must admit that it seems impossible for me to get it published, even though various authorities have given encouraging criticisms. Dr. C.A.Smith, who is an authority on Russian affairs, has said of it, for instance; "You have certainly done a substantial piece of work, and I hope that most of the contents in some form see the light." But no publisher in Britain appears to be willing to take it on, perhaps because, as one said, costs are too high and the paper shortage forces them to be descriminating. An American agent (Ann Elmo, A.F.G.Agency) stated at the beginning of July that "the book market for this type at the moment is uncertain" - which, at the height of the Korean War, seemed rather strange to me.

It has occurred to me, therefore, that the Central Intelligence Agency might be able to make some use of it, though I should, of course, like to reserve author's rights if possible. Alternatively I should appreciate it very much if you could make any suggestions. Yet there does seem to have been a need for the sort of thing I have attempted. Towards the end of last year, for instance, Mr. Maude, a Conservative M.P., was reported to have said that it was necessary to ridicule Marxism in the Universities, and stated that the

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